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- 1. Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17);
- 2. Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1) (in duplicate);
- 3. Notice of Appeal From the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences Large Entity (in duplicate);
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- 6. Return Postcard.

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Respectfully submitted,

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